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EDUCATION

Cornell University, College of Engineering, Ithaca, NY

Expected May 2022

GPA: 4.1 (out of 4.3), Candidate for Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering with Minor in Biomedical Engineering

Honors: Dean's List

Courses: Introduction to Circuits, Digital Logic and Computer Organization, Cellular and Molecular Biology

Bethlehem Central High School, Delmar, NY

Graduated June 2018

GPA: 97 (unweighted), SAT: 1580, ACT: 35

Honors: Art Honor Society, Math Honor Society, National Honor Society

Awards: National Merit Finalist, University of Rochester Bausch + Lomb Award, New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Erickson Lab, Cornell University

January 2019 - Present

Research Assistant

- Design and create new medical devices integrating H.E.R.M.E.S device for blood-plasma separation at the point-of-need
- Develop ways to utilize PCR without the need to separate further particles out of erythrocyte depleted blood
- Engineer solution for the transport of blood samples that maintains analyte concentrations
- Collaborate with Ph.D. student to create point-of-need sepsis diagnostic and gonorrhea antibiotic resistivity testing devices

International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) Team, Cornell University

October 2018 – Present

- Product Development Lead
 Built boat with automatic sampler (given GPS locations) and engineered aptamer to test water for toxins (2019 project)
 - Constructed bioreactor containing bacteria with engineered MLR gene to remove toxins if found (2019 project)
 - Lead PD team to design and manufacture products throughout school year and summer in order to solve problems related to medicine, the environment, human and animal health; compete annually at iGEM Giant Jamboree in Boston

Neural Stem Cell Institute, Rensselaer, NY

May 2017 - August 2017

Neuroscience Intern

- Assisted lab staff in developing regenerative stem cell therapies for diseases of the central nervous system
- Improved experience with lab techniques such as staining, microscopy, gel electrophoresis, feeding cells, and cleaning cells

Muhlenberg Brain Camp, Muhlenberg College, PA

July 2017 - July 2017

Research Assistant

- Selected for free week-long program; conducted research with a professor on memory consolidation and PTSD
- Utilized virtual reality to study working memory consolidation, demonstrated that memories can be hidden from retrieval without being erased by using a visuospatial distractor during the consolidation phase
- Research picked up by Muhlenberg students to test after preparing poster presentation and speaking at symposium

EXTRACURRICULAR

Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity

January 2019 – Present

Philanthropy Chair

- Underwent eight-week new member education training that focused on professional development and leadership skills
- Organize philanthropy events for fraternity to participate in, totaling to 130 hours last semester (Fall 2019)
- Engage with peers in workshops such as resume critiques and mock interviews

Society of Women Engineers (SWE)

September 2018 - Present

Alumni Relations Committee Member

- · Establish database for student-alumni connections, create mentor-mentee matches based on professional interests
- Meet to discuss opportunities for professional development as well as foster relationships among fellow students

Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva (FOP) Charity Events

October 2015 - March 2017

- Orchestrated logistics for two charity events (2015 Awake for a Cure and 2017 Cheers for a Cure) for FOP research
- Raised \$76,000 for international FOP research center at the University of Pennsylvania

Other Involvements

September 2014 – Present

- Athletics Theta Tau Intramural Chair (Fall 2019), Bethlehem Central High School Freshman and JV soccer captain
- Music Received 94 on most recent piano NYSSMA (Level 6), BCHS Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band first chair saxophone
- **TA/Tutoring** Digital Logic and Computer Organization Teaching Assistant, Calculus and Chemistry peer tutor, help students review class material and complete problem sets, supervise and assist during labs

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Technical Skills: Autodesk Fusion, Python, Circuit analysis, Java, Verilog, MATLAB (basic), HTML & CSS (basic), PCR **Class Experience:** Verilog, Microprocessor Design, Computer Architecture, FPGA Boards, Active and Passive Filters **Interests:** Hiking, Piano, Running, Painting, Skiing, Baking, Traveling, Sudoku, Crime Shows, Soccer, Poetry, Neuroscience